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Many Die In Explosion and Fire Adds to Horror

DISASTER ENDANGERS FOUR HUNDRED MINERS

Squirrel Ridge Shaft Near Herring, Ill., Becomes Death Trap, and In Addition to Those Killed Many Others are Entombed In Depths With Scant Hope of Escaping Horrible End.

DAMP RETARDS EFFORT AT RESCUE

News of Disaster Spreads and Women and Children Rush Screaming to Shaft House.

Three men and a boy in this party all lost their lives. Prompt action by the management resulted in the safe exit of hundreds of men at work below ground. Within five minutes after the first report of the explosion miners in the immediate vicinity of the accident started toward the surface and on return trips cases of rescuers were lowered into entries 7 and 8 west, where the catastrophe occurred.

Despite black damp which flowed into the chambers adjoining those in which Pierce and his party were killed, rescuers plunged into the workings.

Bodies Block Way.

Three bodies blocked their path. Heavy examination showed the men alive, and they were rushed to the surface. One was A. J. Houston, brother of the manager. The others were Charles Klem and Albert Sheldon. Houston was killed and all are expected to recover from the effects of the gas. The rescuers next found the bodies of Snyder, Greco, Romeo and Miner. None had been burned, the condition of the corpses testifying to the force of the concussions. The body of Harbor and Miner were badly burned and features scorched beyond recognition.

Efforts of the rescuers to penetrate more deeply into the workings was retarded by increasing after-damp. The ventilation apparatus in the mine was undamaged but it could not cope successfully with the gases. Guinney, Houston and their helpers were forced to retreat, leaving the bodies of Pierce and his companions.

Fire also began to gain headway, and it is not expected that bodies will be recovered before tomorrow. Tonight all efforts are directed at fighting the flames. Conditions are such that it is hoped the fire will be confined in the two entries affected by the explosions.

When the news of the disaster spread, women and children rushed to the shaft house, but as the cage emptied load after load of rescuers and miners, sobs and anguish gave way to cries of joy.

BRYAN CANCELS DATES BECAUSE OF SICKNESS.

JACKSONVILLE, Dec. 23.—W. J. Bryan, who has been in this city for several days, as the guest of his cousin, William Jennings, was too ill tonight to deliver his address at the Duval theater for the benefit of a local hospital.

Mr. Bryan is suffering from a severe cold and is threatened with pneumonia. He has cancelled all future dates and will remain here for several days.

MARION, Ill., Dec. 23.—Twelve men are known to have been killed and a score more are thought to be entombed as the result of an explosion in the Squirrel Ridge mine No. 4 near Herring, this county, late today. Parties of rescuers are at work and the exact details of the disaster will not be learned until they have reported.

The bodies of W. C. Pierce, the mine surveyor, Walter Rutledge and two unidentified Italians have been recovered.

Grave fears are expressed for the fate of the other workmen in the mine. So far as can be learned, the explosion was confined to one entry. A hasty roll call of mine employees has accounted for nearly all members of the working force in other entries.

About twenty-five men are said to have been at work in the entry when the accident occurred.

An open lamp carried by the mine engineer and his assistants caused the disaster, according to a long distance telephone message from the mine office to the Associated Press.

GOULD BROKAW TELL DETAILED HISTORY OF MARITAL TROUBLES

Admits Calling Wife Liar after She Had Applied Epithet to Him—Peers Daintily at Papers Presented Him Through Lorgnette.

(By Associated Press.)

NEW YORK, Dec. 23.—W. Gould Brokaw, whose wife is suing him for separation with alimony of \$60,000 a year, took the stand in his own defense today. He said his father-in-law, Joseph A. Blair, threatened to kill him because he loved his wife too much. When he told Mrs. Brokaw of this she laughed and said: "Don't mind father, Billy; he's crazy."

Brokaw described the night his wife took poison. In minute detail, his lawyers led him through two years of their married life, with painstaking attention to charges of drunkenness, cruelty and abusive language brought out against him in the testimony of his wife.

Brokaw made a good witness. His attitude was easy and his answers were ready and firm. Occasionally he peered daintily through a lorgnette in examining papers submitted to him.

Mrs. Brokaw was shaky pale and muffled in furs. Her head tossed scornfully when her husband's testimony contradicted her own, and she coughed constantly with a nervous little hack.

Brokaw said he had never been drunk in his life. "I never struck anyone in my life," he swore. He admitted he had called his wife a liar.

"Yes," he said, "I called her a liar, but not until she had called me a damned liar. I had been out, and when I came back, bringing her flowers, she accused me of meeting some woman. I denied it. She said I lied and I had to tell her the same."

Brokaw said his wife had smoked cigarettes before their marriage and that she had promised him to stop it. He had never seen her drink cocktails, but he had understood from the servants that cocktails were taken to her room on the sly.

KNOX WRITES POINTED NOTE

Inform President Madrid of Nicaragua United States Will Hold Him Accountable for Harm to Americans.

ESTRADA'S VICTORY AT RAMA CLEARS COAST.

Puts Insurgents in Control in East and Practically Clears Way to Graytown.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 23.—Secretary Knox has given formal notice to President Madrid of Nicaragua that the United States will hold him strictly accountable for the safety of American citizens in the western section of that country. Instructions to this effect were sent to the American consul at Managua, with instructions to immediately inform the Managuan authorities of the attitude of this government. The consul also was directed to report what basis there was for apprehension of trouble on the part of American residents in that part of the country, especially at Granada.

A telegram was received at the state department today from Admiral Kimball, in command of the United States warships in Corinto harbor, saying the commandant of the port of Corinto has made a call on the admiral on board his flagship, but that the commandant was not saluted.

Admiral Kimball also noted the arrival at that harbor of the Mexican gunboat Gen. Guerrero.

The state department is in a quandary as to what has become of 1,000 men belonging to the government forces, which, at last accounts, were in possession of Graytown. This section of the army was, until recently, commanded by General Toledo who recently was reported as having arrived at Managua.

A report received yesterday from Commander Shipley of the Des Moines, at Bluefields, said that the defeat and surrender of the Zelayan forces at Rama had disposed of virtually all armed resistance to Estrada on the east coast.

The Graytown contingent had previously joined the Zelayan forces at Rama. If not, it is assumed that another battle near Graytown may be expected before Estrada's army takes up its march for Managua.

ENTHUSIASM MARKS MEET OF DEMOCRATS

Members of Party from All Parts of County Listen to Harmony Address by M. J. Burns at Odd Fellows Hall.

Rain in torrents and six inches of mud on the streets couldn't dampen the enthusiasm of the Democrats of the Warren district, who turned out at the harmony meeting at Odd Fellows hall last night and entered into the meeting with a spirit that demonstrated that they meant business from the time the assembly was called to order.

The gathering was held at the best of the territorial organization committee. George H. Neale was appointed chairman and C. C. Thompson secretary. Then the chairman called upon Mike Burns, the member of the organization committee from Yavapai county who was present to address the assembly, which he did, outlining the work that was before the loyal Democrats of the territory in a manner that brought forth continued rounds of applause.

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Great Roumanian Surgeon As He Appears When Operating



NEW YORK, Dec. 23.—It has remained for Dr. Thomas J. J. Jones to score one of the greatest triumphs of the medical world. This Roumanian scientist maintained that anasthesia is superior to either an anesthetic and before the flower of the medical profession performed delicate operations with the knife, the patients all the time remaining wide eyed and conscious of all that was going on and yet experiencing no pain.

To take a patient sitting quietly on the edge of a table, swinging his legs, thrust a hollow needle into the small of his back (with little more pain than would be caused by stabbing his finger with a pin,) inject through it half a teaspoonful of a colorless fluid, then lay him down on the table and, within three minutes, be able to cut down to the bone anywhere upon his body—amputate a limb, open the abdomen and remove the appendix or a kidney without producing the slightest pain of importance, yet leaving him perfectly conscious, with his eyes wide open and able to observe every step of the operation, if he so desires, is certainly a striking and dramatic feat.

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ZELAYA PREPARES TO FLY FROM NICARAGUAN CAPITAL

Takes Hint of Coming Defeat of Government Forces, and Surrounded by Hostile Demonstrations on all Sides, He Plans to Leave Managua and Seek Safety at Corinto.

M'VEAGH RECOMMENDS GRADUATED BANK TAX

ASKS CONGRESS TO CONSIDER MEASURES AS MEANS OF REPLENISHING TREASURY.

(By Associated Press.)

WASHINGTON, Dec. 23.—Preliminary action in consideration of Secretary MacVeagh's recommendations of a graduated tax on national bank circulation secured by deposits of United States bonds, has been taken by the banking and currency committee. On request of Chairman Vreeland, MacVeagh has prepared an amendment necessary in the event the committee decided to act favorably.

Secretary MacVeagh can issue Panama canal bonds, should he feel disposed to do so and he can also put out three per cent certificates to meet pressing obligations of the government. It is not considered probable that he will take the former course before congress acts on his recommendation of a graduated tax on bank circulation.

MEXICAN GUNBOAT APPEARS HIS GOAL

Rumor Says He Will Go Aboard Man of War Guerrero, Now Lying in Harbor.

(By Associated Press.)

MANAGUA, Dec. 23.—Because of the hostile demonstrations here for the last few days against the old administration, it is probable that Zelaya will go to Corinto escorted by a strong guard. The former president is keeping close to his residence. Expecting his appearance at the inauguration of Madrid, he has been seen but little in public.

News of the defeat of the Zelayans at Rama has been carefully kept from the public. Various rumors have been current but it is alleged in official dispatches that General Gonzalez claimed a victory for the government troops. These have been spread broadcast, but the truth has at last begun to filter through, Managuans learning through various sources that revolutionists won the battle around Rama, and are soon to turn their guns in the direction of the capital.

The present government is not in condition to oppose the advance of Estrada's army. Madrid has behind him a strong political force, but few fighting men, and no preparations have been made to repel an attack.

General Yaquez is here on sick leave. Only a few days ago he was at Rama, but left his forces under Gonzalez. Gen. Toledo, recently the head of the Zelayan's at Graytown, which was said to be surrounded by insurgents, is also here.

The Mexican minister left this morning for Corinto. There is a rumor that Zelaya will go on board the Mexican gun boat Guerrero, which lies in the harbor at Corinto.

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ROBINSON WATSON DECLARES HIS POET BROTHER INSANE

Wife of Demented Man Resents Statement and Sends Angry Message Asserting Her Husband Has Been Woefully Wronged.

(By Associated Press.)

NEW YORK, Dec. 23.—Robinson Watson in a statement telegraphed to New York from Montreal today, reiterates that his brother, William Watson, the English poet, now in Havana is insane, although the poet's wife who is with him is unaware of her husband's mental condition.

Mrs. Watson cabled from Havana yesterday that "Robinson Watson's message to the World is a wicked attempt to ruin my husband."

The brother replied today as follows: "It is not surprising that Mrs. William Watson has cabled an angry message. There probably will be worse to come and still worse, until she fully apprehends the whole truth."

"When the long statement about the Aquilots compelled me to recognize clearly what others were beginning to perceive, I immediately went to New York, and finding my worst fears confirmed, endeavored for four consecutive days to get an opportunity for speaking alone with Mrs. Watson, but no such opportunity could be obtained, and I left without having given her the slightest intimation."